(b) NDDB makes payments to the oilseed growers cooperative federations established under the Vegetable Oil Project who in turn pay remunerative prices to oilseed growers.

(c) The expenditure on various activities connected with Dhara operations has been incurred in a manner consistent with the objectives of the market intervention operations.

(d) and (e) Government is already selling imported edible oils through the weaker sections of the society also. There is no proposal under consideration for retail sale of loose oil for the weaker sections of the society to cut its costs as is being done for milk by NDDB. The sale of loose oil in India frequently leads to undesirable practices like adulteration and under weighment. NDDB has, therefore, been making efforts to enhance the sale of packed oil under the Dhara brand name so as to shift the consumption pattern from loose oil to packed oil. Dhara is sold in tamper proof packs so that consumers can be sure about the purity and quantity of the oil which they purchase.

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Electronic Telephone Exchange in Badayun District of Uttar Pradesh

5802. SHRI CHINMAYANAND SWAMI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of the Government to setup an electronic exchange in Badayun District of Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A 1500 Lines electronic exchange is likely to be commissioned in Badayun (U.P.) in the Eighth Five Year Plan.

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Grant of Pension to Freedom Fighters of Arya Samaj Movement

5803. SHRI S.N. VEKARIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to State:

(a) whether the cases of Freedom Fighters of Arya Samaj Movement for the grant of pensions are still pending finalisation; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which these cases are likely to be finalised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). The last date for receipt of applications from the participants of the Arya Samaj movement was 30.6.1986. All the applications received by that date have been disposed of. However, 351 applications purported to have been received by the Non-official Screening Committee have not yet been disposed of for the reason that there is a doubt about their timely receipt. It has recently been decided to dispose of such of these applications which are found included in the list furnished by the Sarvadeshik Arya Pratinidhi Sabha to this Ministry before 30.6.1986. No time limit can be specified for their disposal.

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Hoisting of Pak Flag in Kashmir

5804. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to State :

(a) whether efforts of hoisting the Pakistani flag in many areas of Kashmir were made by the terrorists on the Independence day, the 15th August, 1991,

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken against terrorists in this regard by the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). As per information available, some terrorists held armed parade and hoisted Pakistani flags on 14th August '91 in some isolated places near Srinagar, which were promptly removed by Security Forces.

Patrolling in sensitive pockets has been intensifies to avoid such instances.

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Use of Private Commercial Vehicles by Delhi Police

5805. SHRI RAMESH CHAND TOMAR:
DR. G.L.KANAUJIA:
SHRI MAHESH KANODIA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to State :

(a) whether the Delhi police hires private commercial vehicles on occasion of elections, bandhs, etc. and pays therefor;

(b) whether such payments have been made by the Delhi Police of South-West region for the Vehicles hired on the occasion of the last Lok Sabha elections and the bandh in October, 1990; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Payment in respect of vehicles hired during the bandh in October, 1990 has already been made. Payment in respect of 14 vehicles hired during the last Lok Sabha election could not be made due to non-submission of bills in 6 cases and discrepancies in bills preferred in other cases.

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Police Beat Boxes and Police Assistance Booths

5806. DR.C.SILVERA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to State :

(a) the number and location of police Beat Boxes and Police Assistance Booths in Delhi;

(b) the main tasks assigned to those centres;

(c) whether those centres have ben instructed to intervene in any incident/accident connected with law and order in their respective areas at their own without any request from affected parties; and

(d) whether those centers are also responsible to get the traffic jam cleared in their respective areas as and when required?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) there are 164 beat boxes and 227 police assistance booths located in Delhi. Their location district-wise is given in the statement enclosed.

(b) to (d) The main tasks assigned to the staff are to keep watch on the terrorist activi-